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Clayton County Offers Reduction in Traffic Violation Fines

Eligible Charges reduced to \$50.00 plus surcharges

JONESBORO— May 11, 2020 — The State Court of Clayton County, in partnership with the Office of the Solicitor-General, Solicitor-General Charles A. Brooks will be reducing traffic fines to \$50.00 (plus surcharges) for low-risk maintenance and/or moving violations. The Solicitor-General’s Office will reduce eligible fines starting 05/11/2020. The reduction will be offered to individuals who have pending traffic citations for certain maintenance and/or moving violations.

“The purpose of reducing the fines will allow citizens to handle outstanding charges without physically appearing in court and further hinder the potential spread of Covid-19 and lower the number of people needing to appear in court” said Solicitor-General Brooks.

“A valid driver’s license is vital in many aspects of life. During these current times, we have individuals seeking employment, needing to apply for different types of aid, and applying for apartments, homes, and even loans. Adding this option for as many citizens that are eligible will make restoring their driving records more convenient during these very stressful times. This

will also allow operations to continue to flow without increase delay and further backlog,” stated Brooks.

Select traffic charges have been identified for fine reduction and can be paid without seeing a Judge. Anyone interested in taking advantage of the reduced fine can pay his or her ticket online at <https://www.claytoncountyga.gov/government/court-services/clerk-of-state-court/pay-traffic-citations-online>. Those who wish to contest their traffic citations will receive notice of their new court date via the United States Postal Service at the address on file with the Clerk of State Court of Clayton County.

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